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Examiner: Quana M. Grainger

In Re PATENT APPLICATION Of:

Applicants : Akihito ONISHI)

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the period for replying to the Examiner's Action dated November 17, 2004, be extended for one (1) month under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The applicable extension fee of \$120.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is submitted herewith.

Should any additional fees be required, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0002 and advise us accordingly.

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Respectfully submitted,

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